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**In re U.S. Patent Application of**

**TSUCHIYA et al.**

**Application Number: 10/750,882**

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**For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING NANOPARTICLE  
LAYER HAVING UNIFORM EASY AXIS OF  
MAGNETIZATION, MAGNETIC RECORDING  
MEDIUM HAVING SUCH LAYER, ITS PRODUCTION  
METHOD, AND ITS PRODUCTION APPARATUS**

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**Sir:**

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on October 18, 2006, the period of response to which is set to expire on January 18, 2007. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

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